Lecture 10

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Load packages

References

- ggplot2 cheatsheet at
 [https://www.rstudio.com/wp-content/uploads/2016/
 11/ggplot2-cheatsheet-2.1.pdf]
- ► Wickham (2009) ggplot2: Elegant graphics for data analysis, Chapters 4 and 5.
- Chang (2012) R graphics cookbook. Available at [http://www.cookbook-r.com/Graphs/]

More details on ggplot2

Layers

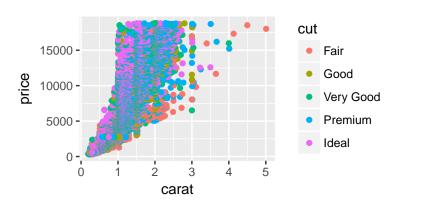
- data, aesthetic mapping, geom, statistical transformation and position adjustment (to be defined)
- ► Tools for working with layers
- Scales, axes and legends
- Faceting

Basic plot for demonstrations

```
p <- ggplot(diamonds,aes(x=carat,y=price,colour=cut)) +
   geom_point()
names(p)</pre>
```

```
## [1] "data" "layers" "scales" "mapping" "theme" ## [6] "coordinates" "facet" "plot_env" "labels"
```

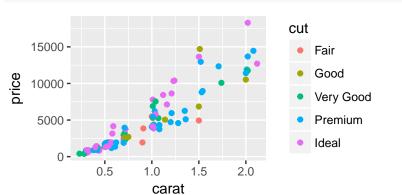
p



Data

- ▶ The data must be a data frame
- ► A **copy** of the data is stored in the plot object (changes to the source dataframe do not change plot)
- ▶ Possible to change the data of a plot object with %+%, as in

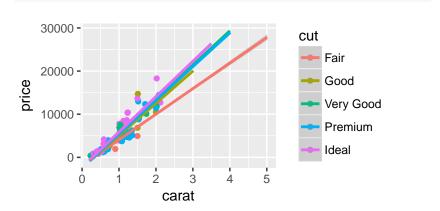
```
set.seed(123)
subdiamonds <- sample_n(diamonds, size=100)
p <- p %+% subdiamonds
p</pre>
```



Different data in different layers

Can specify data for a layer to use.

```
p + geom_smooth(data=diamonds, method="lm")
```



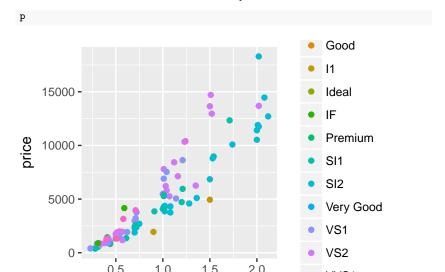
Aesthetic mappings

- ► A description of how variables will be perceived on a plot.
 - ► E.G., aes(x=carat,y=price,color=cut)
- Can specify default aesthetics in the initialization, or specific aesthetics in the layers
 - ▶ When specified in the layers they over-ride the defaults

```
p<-p + geom_point(aes(color=clarity))</pre>
```

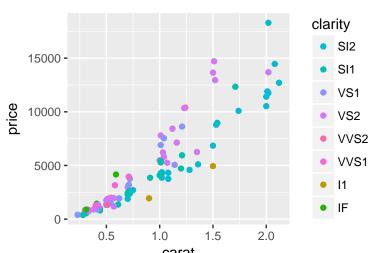
Aesthetic over-ride

- Overriding affects only the layer, not the default scales
 - Unexpected behaviour: titles on legends and axes are taken from the default scale and layer



Aesthetic over-ride, cont.

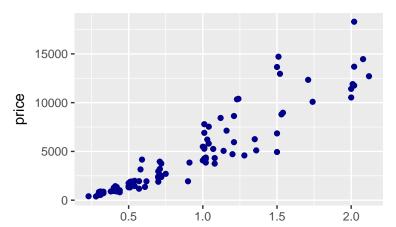
▶ To modify the scale, set with a scale function (more later).



Setting vs mapping

- An alternative to mapping aesthetics to variables is to set the aesthetic to a constant.
 - ▶ Set with the layer *parameter*, rather than mapping with aes()
 - ▶ E.G., set the color of points on a plot to dark blue

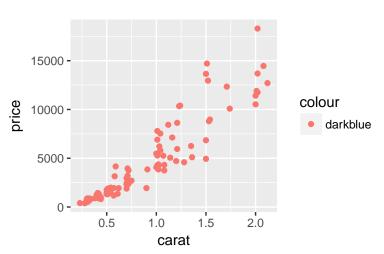
ggplot(subdiamonds,aes(x=carat,y=price)) + geom_point(color="darkblue")



Setting vs mapping, cont.

▶ Don't use aes() if you want a paramter.

```
ggplot(subdiamonds,aes(x=carat,y=price)) +
geom_point(aes(color="darkblue"))
```



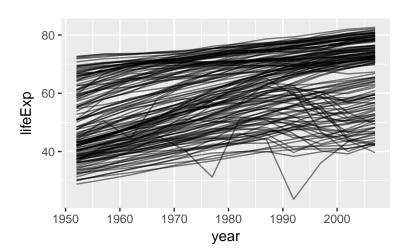
Grouping

- Many geoms in ggplot2 group observations (rows of the dataframe).
 - ► E.G., a boxplot of a quantitative variable by a categorical variable groups observations by the categorical variable.
- ▶ Default group is combinations (interaction) of all categorical variables in the aesthetic specification.
- ▶ If this is not what you want, or if there are no categorical variables, specify group yourself.

Grouping to plot time series

For plotting time series (multiple measurements on each observational unit) we want to group by observational unit.

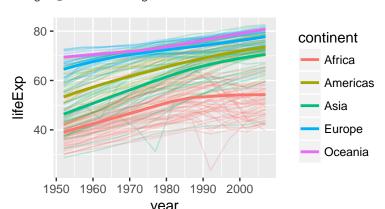
ggplot(gapminder,aes(x=year,y=lifeExp,group=country)) + geom_line(alpha=.5)



Different groups on different layers

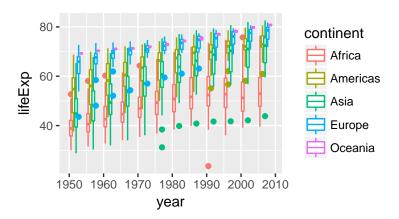
► To add summaries by continent, we need to specify different groups on different layers.

`geom_smooth()` using method = 'loess'



Using interaction() to specify groups

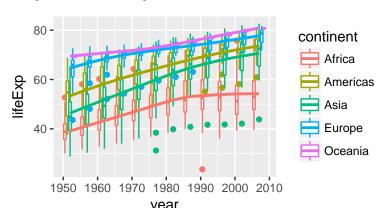
 Could do boxplots of life expectancy by year and continent. (Not recommended – too busy – just using for illustration.)



Overriding group on a layer

▶ Boxplots of life expectancy by year and continent on one layer, by continent alone on another.

`geom_smooth()` using method = 'loess'



Geoms

- ▶ These are the shapes you want on the plot.
 - See the list of geoms on the cheatsheet.
- Each has a set of aesthetics that are required for drawing and a set of aesthetics that it understands.
 - E.G., geom_point() requires x and y position, and understands color, size and shape.
- Aesthetics can also be passed to geoms as parameters.
 - Recall difference between geom_point(color="darkblue") and geom_point(aes(color="darkblue"))
- Each geom also has a default statistic (stat) and positional adjustment.
 - More on these next.

Stats

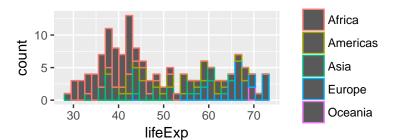
- Stats are statistical summaries of groups of data points. E.G.,
 - stat_smoother() is a moving average of the y positions over windows of x positions.
 - stat_bin() is a binning of a quantitative variable into bins of a given width
 - See the cheatsheet for a list.
- Stats create new variables, and these variables can be mapped to aesthetics.
 - ▶ E.G., stat_bin() creates the variables count, density and x
 - Enclose derived variable name with .. to use.

```
p <- ggplot(gapminder,aes(x=lifeExp)) +
  geom_histogram(aes(y= ..density..))</pre>
```

Position adjustment

- See cheatsheet for list.
- Default for most geoms is no adjustment ("identity")
- Adjustment to x and/or y position, such as "jitter" can reduce overplotting.
- Boxplots in recent plot of gapminder data were "dodge"d.
- Histograms of a continuous variable by a categorical grouping variable are "stack"ed by default.

```
gdat <- filter(gapminder,year==1952)
ggplot(gdat,aes(x=lifeExp,color=continent)) + geom_histogram()</pre>
```



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Tools for working with layers

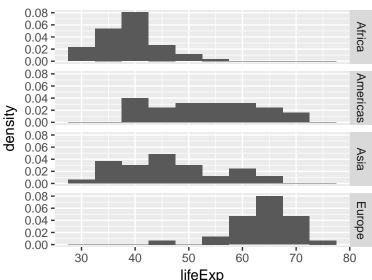
- Many possible topics
- In the interest of time, focus on a few
 - displaying distributions
 - adding error bars and other measures of uncertainty
 - annotating a plot

Displaying distributions

- ► The standard histogram is geom_histogram().
 - Displays counts by default, but we have seen how to display as density
 - Density is better for comparing the shape of distributions
- To include group information, can stack bars (see previous example), use faceting to produce separate histograms, or superpose density histograms.

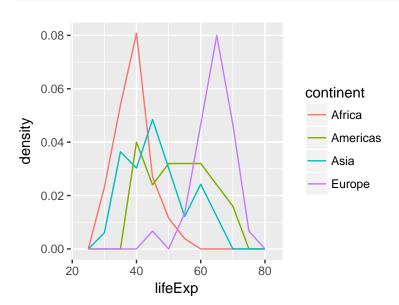
Histograms with faceting

```
gdat <- filter(gdat,continent != "Oceania")
h <- ggplot(gdat,aes(x=lifeExp))
h + geom_histogram(aes(y= ..density..), binwidth=5) + facet_grid(continent ~ .)</pre>
```



Histograms superposed

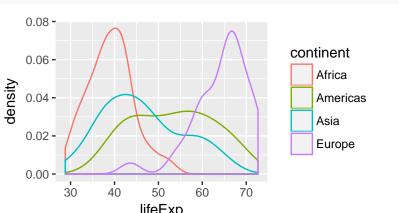
h + geom_freqpoly(aes(y=..density..,color=continent), binwidth=5)



Density estimation

- geom_density() plots a density estimate
 - Think of adding up small normal densities centred at each observed datapoint, with the width of each distribution a user-defined parameter
- Can superpose multiple density plots.

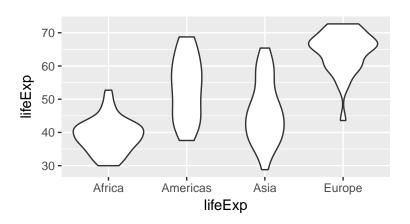




Violin plots

- ▶ Instead of superposing, dodge density estimates with a violin plot.
 - Violins are density estimate and its mirror image displayed vertically

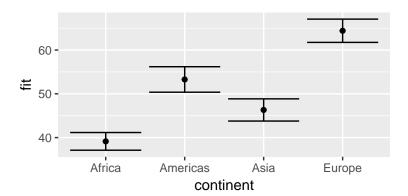
h + geom_violin(aes(x=continent,y=lifeExp))



Adding measures of uncertainty

- geom_smooth() includes pointwise error bands by default.
- ▶ For factors can add error bars.

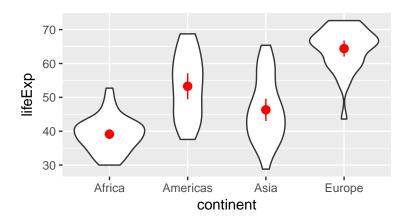
```
gfit <- lm(lifeExp ~ continent,data=gdat)
newdat <- data.frame(continent=c("Africa","Americas","Asia","Europe"))
mm <- data.frame(newdat,predict(gfit,newdata=newdat,interval="confidence"))
ggplot(mm,aes(x=continent,y=fit)) +
   geom_point() + geom_errorbar(aes(ymin=lwr,ymax=upr))</pre>
```



Measures of uncertainty with stat summaries

- Variety of built-in summaries, or can write your own (not covered).
- Summarize y for different values of x or bins of x values.

```
ggplot(gdat,aes(x=continent,y=lifeExp)) +
geom_violin() + # superpose over violin plot
stat_summary(fun.data="mean_cl_normal",color="red")
```

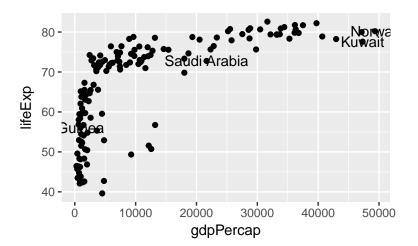


Annotating a plot

- Basic tools for annotating are
 - geom_text() and geom_label() to add text
 - Geoms such as geom_abline() to add line segments (see cheetsheet)
 - ▶ labs() for adding axis labels, titles, and captions
 - annotate() to add annotations using aesthetics passed to the function, rather than mapped from data.
- Can add annotations one at a time or many at a time
 - to add many at a time, create a data frame

Many annotations

```
gm07 <- filter(gapminder, year ==2007)
topOilbyGDP <- c("Kuwait","Guinea","Norway","Saudi Arabia")
gdpOil <- filter(gm07,country %in% topOilbyGDP)
ggplot(gm07,aes(x=gdpPercap,y=lifeExp)) + geom_point() +
   geom_text(data=gdpOil,aes(label=country))</pre>
```



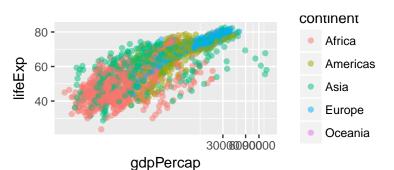
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Scales

- Scales are mappings from the data to the graphics device
 - domain of continent is the five continents, range is the hexidecimal of the five colors represented on the graph
 - ▶ domain of lifeExp is 23.599 to 82.603, range is [0,1], which grid converts to a range of vertical pixels on the graph.
 - legends and axes provide the inverse mapping

```
p <- ggplot(gapminder,aes(x=gdpPercap,y=lifeExp,color=continent)) + geom_point(
p</pre>
```



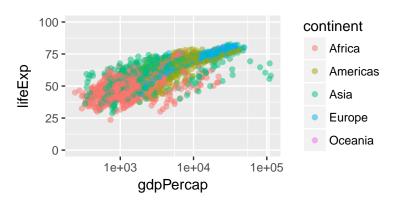
Steps to map domain to range

- ► Transformation: For continuous domains, we may want a transformation of the data
 - ► E.G., log base 10 of GDP, specified by coord_trans(x="log10")
- Training: If multiple layers will be plotted, take the union of the domains of each
 - Can over-ride training and specify manually (next slide)
- Mapping: Apply the scaling function to map data values to what we see.

Axis labels and limits

- breaks are the locations of the tick marks on the axes
- limits are the limits of the axes

```
p + scale_x_continuous(breaks=c(1000,10000,100000)) +
scale_y_continuous(limits = c(0,100))
```

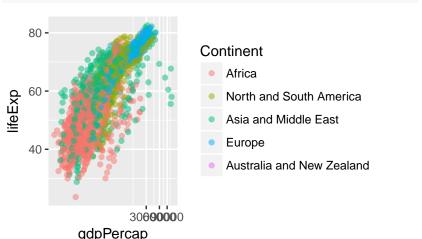


Types of scales

- ▶ In the previous example we saw position scales that control x and y positions of objects
- ▶ Other scales control colour and fill, shape, line type and size.
 - See the cheetsheet for a list

Color scale settings and legends

► For discrete variables used to set the colour aesthetic, colour scale settings affect the legend labels and titles



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Faceting

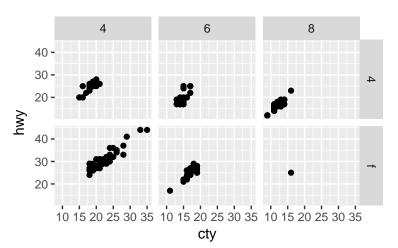
- ► Facets are panels that show plots for subsets of the data defined by groups.
- Layout of facets can be as a grid or a ribbon.
- ▶ Use a subset of the mpg dataset from ggplot2 to illustrate

```
data(mpg)
mpgsub <- subset(mpg,cyl !=5 & drv %in% c("4","f"))</pre>
```

Facet grid

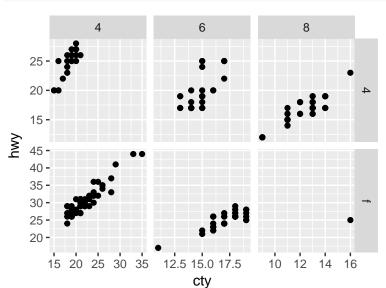
Lay out plots in a 2d grid, specified by a formula.

```
p <- ggplot(mpgsub,aes(x=cty,y=hwy)) +
  geom_point() + facet_grid(drv~ cyl)
p</pre>
```



Freeing the scales across rows/columns of panels

```
p <- ggplot(mpgsub,aes(x=cty,y=hwy)) +
  geom_point() + facet_grid(drv~ cyl, scales="free")
p</pre>
```



Facet wrap

```
ggplot(gapminder,aes(x=log10GdpPercap,y=lifeExp,color=continent)) +
  geom_point() + facet_wrap(~year,ncol=4)
```

